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Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on October 6, 1999 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): All issues raised therein have not been addressed; specifically, the rejections under 35 USC 112, 2nd paragraph to claim 8, line 3 and claim 9, line 3. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Clark Dexter whose telephone number is (703) 308-1404.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mr. Rinaldi Rada, can be reached at (703)308-2187.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Clark F. Dexter', is positioned above the printed name and title.

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